

Susan Strange Protest Diary Entry, 1960

Saturday FEBRUARY 20
Forgot to say yesterday that it was
so cold in our room that we went to
the teacher's lounge for morning classes.
In the afternoon we stayed in Mrs.
Byrnes room. Also practiced with Rum-
pel. Today I went to Richmond for
Edwin's teeth. Went to the pet shop and
stayed for several hours. Watched a
group of colored people. They were going
into a restaurant on the 4th floor. Several
thousand people. When they got in line they
were politely told the place was closed.
The waitresses came running out so
happy. Digging & laughing. They didn't
even change their clothes. Just left.
All the neighboring stores such as Wool-
worths were closed. Pictures were taken.
Newspaper men. Some getting white
boys showed off by carrying Confederate
Flags. Colored carried American.

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